Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law

Code: 698  
Faculty: Law  
Applicable study: Students currently enrolled in Part II of the LLB or conjoint degree  
Closing date: 30 November  
Tenure: One year  
For: Assistance  
Number on offer: One  
Offer rate: One each year  
Value: Up to $5,000  

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2012 and is funded by Chapman Tripp. Chapman Tripp is one of New Zealand’s leading commercial law practices and its Te Waka Ture group is well known for expertise in Iwi Governance issues.

The purpose of the Scholarship is to support a student who is currently enrolled in Part II of an LLB or LLB conjoint degree and who has a particular interest in iwi management and governance.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

1. The Scholarship will be known as the Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law.
2. One Scholarship may be awarded annually, for a period of one year, and will be up to the value of $5,000.
3. The Scholarship may be offered to a student who has completed Part I and been admitted to, and is enrolled in, Part II, but not yet commenced any Part III courses, in a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or LLB conjoint degree at the time of application, for use in the remainder of their Part II study or Part III study in the following year.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be: demonstrated participation in Māori contexts (see Note I) which may also include proficiency in Te Reo Māori; academic merit as measured by the grade point average (GPA) across all Law courses completed at the time of application, and submission of an essay of no more than 500 words on a topic of the applicant’s choice on Māori law or iwi management and governance issues. Successful candidates will have a GPA of at least 5.00. Short-listed candidates may be interviewed by the Selection Committee (see Notes I to II).
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Law (or nominee), one other academic representative from the
Faculty of Law and one representative of Chapman Tripp.

7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments, in the first and second semesters. The recipient must maintain a GPA of no less than 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in Semester One in the year of the award in order to continue to receive the scholarship in Semester Two.

8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as a) the terms of that scholarship, award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves.

9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of Law.

10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. The University of Auckland has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 30 November in the year preceding the award.

13. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

**Notes**

I. Candidates must provide a short statement as part of their application outlining what activities they have been involved with in Te Ao Māori (for example, local community or student body involvement, Marae activities, kapa haka, continued learning or teaching of Te Reo, tutoring or mentoring students, etc.)

II. In some years, Chapman Tripp may, in consultation with the Selection Committee, determine a specific topic for the essay.

III. The recipient of the Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law may be offered a winter and/or summer clerkship with the firm during and/or immediately following the tenure of this Scholarship.

IV. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

V. Recipients of a Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.